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"Don't worry 'bout de past," says Brother Watkins. "De heck der an gone by yo' head whi't givine foh to hit yo' in de eye."

A spark from an electric wire started a fire in the building occupied by the Pittsburgh Post Sunday morning, which almost completely destroyed the entire plant. The loss is estimated at about \$100,000. The Post is now being printed in the Leader office.

Monday was license court day. For the first time in years the bars of the county were open that day. It has been customary to grant licenses the day after the license expires so that there is one day in a year that the bars do not have license to sell liquor, but this time the license did not expire until the 17th and thus the bars were kept open on license day.

From the Clearfield Republican of last week we learn that it cost over \$50,000 a year to keep the poor of that county before the erection of the County Home, but that last year the whole amount expended for maintenance of the poor of the county, including interest on the bonds, for the erection of the Home, was less than \$20,000. This is quite a snug sum to save in one year. Jefferson county should build a Home.

The May Day report show that appeared at the opera houses last Tuesday night was pronounced "rank" by some of those who attended the show. It is said that there was a fair-sized crowd present and that the largest portion of them were married men. If such shows will come to Reynoldsville, it would be a good act for the town council to pass an ordinance to forbid the posting of such "loud" announcements as these shows usually have spread on the bill boards.

The crusade against women wearing hats and bonnets in theatres has reached Pennsylvania. A theatre hat bill was introduced into the house last week making it unlawful for any owner or manager of any theatre or public building where entertainments are held, to which an admission fee is charged, to permit any person to wear any hat, bonnet or covering for the head, which will obstruct the view of the performance or entertainment.

Senator James G. Mitchell, of this county, introduced two important bills in the senate last week. The one authorizes the governor to appoint a commission to adopt or edit and compile a uniform series of text books, to be used in the public schools, and providing the method of acquiring the right to issue and sell the same, and the manner and time of introducing the same in said schools and regulating the printing and publishing thereof.

If all the liars had died as soon after prevaricating as did Ananias and Sapphira, some two thousand years ago, there would not be such a vast multitude meandering this mundane sphere as there are to-day who handle the truth carelessly. And some of this class of people to-day will be found making the christian profession, as did Ananias and his wife. The sage of the Punxsutawney Spirit says: "One of the greatest vices of this age is lying. It is not confined to business and professional affairs, but finds its way into politics. Lies have been told on the stump, right in the midst of an exciting political campaign. Mirabile dictu! It is not an uncommon thing, in fact, to resort to downright deception in order to secure votes. Legislation is often promised which the promiser knows would be not only impracticable but vicious, because he has not the courage to tell the truth. Then, when the time comes for the fulfillment of these promises, the people to whom they were made conclude that there are some awful liars abroad. Lying does not pay in the long run. It is much more expensive in the round-up than the truth. A lie will never fit in properly. It is a troublesome thing to have round, for it will invariably come home to roost."

Our Educational Column.

"Oasis William," Editor. Address all communications relative to this department to Editor Educational Column, care of THE STAR.

THE PEOPLE IN IT. Some love the glow of outward show. The shine of wealth, and try to win it; The house to me may lowly be, If I but like the people in it.

Boys and girls your "uncle" has selected a number of Educational gems from the pens of some of our best educators and those that you will carefully read them and treasure up their truths in memory and inscribe their teachings on the tablets of your hearts. Don't skim over them hastily but read and reflect.

EDUCATIONAL GEMS.—BY E. E. H. Note:—These gems have been carefully selected from the speeches and writings of our ablest educators—past and present, and we trust they'll prove of as much inspiration to the readers, as they did to us.

A Froude Gem.—You cannot dream yourself into a character, you must hammer and forge yourself one.

A Thompson Gem.—In dress follow fashion at a short distance so as never to be quite in or quite out of it.

A Youth's Companion Gem.—It is mind that is to come off victorious and it is for precisely that reason that force is the worst of all weapons. From the lowest and most worldly point of view, violence of any sort is the poorest possible policy for the party which employs it, because it surely brings the party into bad repute and defeats the very object it is used to promote.

A Hoffman Gem.—Avoid excess in everything; respect old habits; keep a quiet conscience, a gay heart, a contented mind.

A Woodward Gem.—When the limit of sharp attention and lively interest is reached, you have reached the limit of profitable study. If you can hold the attention of a class but ten minutes, it is worse than a waste of time to make the exercise fifteen. Intellectual growth is not to be gauged by the length or number of the daily lessons.

A Talmage Gem.—Troubles are hard to take, though they strengthen the soul. Tomies are always bitter.

A Dr. Abbot Gem.—No man can achieve a permanent success in any profession unless he can win the absolute confidence of his fellowmen. His reputation must be as spotless as his crime.

A Robinson Gem.—Now it is useless to read more than can be assimilated. Rarely is a mind to be found capable of voluminous reading. A few books of the very best, patiently read and thoroughly absorbed, are more helpful than cords of books read in a trivial manner and for unworthy reasons. It were worth more to have originated one thought than to have read ten books that suggest none. In fact if a wholesome balance of observation and thinking is not maintained one would better not read at all, but pause a while and find out what he thinks. When we earnestly wish to know the truth, though it shatter our most cherished prejudices, we are in condition to make observations. These in time should crystallize into facts, which in their turn yield new data for a more extended outlook. As it is given to no one to see the whole, man must be contented if he but get wider and wider glimpses which show in a truer proportion and relation things fairly in sight. So we may approach cultivation, which is not an acquisition that we can store away in youth with our diplomas, but a state of mind in which thought can germinate and grow. He is the most cultivated who has the deepest knowledge of nature's laws, the perception of the meanings of the universe, and can see all things in their truest relative proportion.

The Citizen's Gem.—Pupils should be taught to realize that they owe a debt to the State for their education, which they are bound in honor to repay by, at the first, diligently learning, and, subsequently, well and faithfully performing their civic duties.

SUMMARY OF ATTENDANCE. Report for month ending February 9th, 1897.

Table with 4 columns: Room, Name, Attendance, Percent of Attendance. Rows include Room 14, Mr. Madden, Room 13, Weaver, Room 12, Woodward, Room 11, Mitchell, Room 10, Hammond, Room 9, Miss Doane, Room 8, Kirk, Room 7, Butler, Room 6, Smeltzer, Room 5, Millren, Room 4, Patton, Room 3, Geist.

Sickness during the past month has lowered the average attendance in the various rooms.

Nice, fresh, sweet bread at Robinson & Munderoff's.

Grand Jury's Report.

To the Honorable Judge of the Court of Quarter Sessions of the Peace in and for the county of Jefferson, February Session, 1897.

We, the Grand Jury of said county, respectfully report: That we have passed upon all bills of indictment that have been laid before us by the District Attorney of the county. That after discharging the duty above mentioned, in accordance with the directions of the Court, we beg leave to report that we have examined the county jail and find that the condition of the same is not good. The plumbing throughout the jail is in poor condition. Levers on first or lower row of cells do not work properly; water-closets and cells also need renovating. On investigating the escape of Joseph Aiello, the murderer, we found that the jail is not as secure as it should be. We suggest that the ceiling be covered with boiler iron or other material which will render it more secure. We also find that some of the bars are sawed off, and we suggest that they be examined by an expert and if found to be of poor quality that new bars be procured. We suggest also that the sheriff's rooms in the jail building need some repairing done to the plastering, paper and plumbing; also the sheriff's office needs some new furniture, a desk with more room for filing papers and more chairs. We also examined the Court house and recommend the following repairs: a new floor in lower jury room; the water closet adjoining said room needs immediate repairs; we also recommend that a water closet for the use of ladies attending Court be put in where most convenient; that the plaster in several places needs repairing. In the investigation of the escape of the prisoner, Joseph Aiello, we find nothing to censure the sheriff or other county officers, but we recommend that the method for caring for prisoners suggested by the Court in your charge to us be followed by the sheriff. The attention of the jury was also called by one of their number to the attempt on the part of N. U. Bond, of Brookwayville, to smuggle revolvers in to Frank and William Dodson, and from the evidence of the following persons, namely, Ex-Sheriff Gourley, Mack Mohney, Charles Chesnut and Norman D. Matson, we believe it was done with criminal intent, and we recommend that the Court instruct the District Attorney to bring a bill of indictment against N. U. Bond for said offense before the next Grand Jury.

We desire to thank the Honorable the Judge of the Court, District Attorney, Prothonotary, Sheriff, Register and Recorder, Commissioners, Tipstuffs and Constable Brillhart, who had charge of the Grand Jury, for courtesies shown us during our session.

WILLIAM G. THOMAS, Foreman.

Old People. Old People who require medicine to regulate the bowels and kidneys will find the true remedy in Electric Bitters. This medicine does not stimulate and contains no whiskey nor other intoxicant, but acts as a tonic and alterative. It acts mildly on the stomach and bowels, adding strength and giving tone to the organs, thereby aiding nature in the performance of the functions. Electric Bitters is an excellent appetizer and aids digestion. Old people find it just exactly what they need. Price fifty cents and \$1.00 per bottle at H. Alex. Stoke's drug store.

Paradise. Noah Syphrit had business in DuBois last Tuesday.

Miss Almira and George Kemern, who had been visiting in this place the past month, returned to their home in Westmoreland county last Saturday.

Mead Syphrit and J. M. Sheesley had business in Brookville last Tuesday.

There has been some talk of having an oyster supper in the Grange hall in the near future.

Farmer's institute will be held in the Grange hall on the 23rd and 24th of this month.

The spelling at the Salt Works school last Tuesday evening was a grand success.

W. A. Sheesley and Amos Strouse were in Brookville last Thursday.

There is some talk of the Philippi and Salt Works schools coming together to have a match spelling. The Philippi school says, "come on."

Mary Sheesley visited friends in Big Run last week.

Charlie Strouse drove to Porter township last Friday to visit his sister, Mrs. Brumbaugh.

J. F. Strouse spent Saturday night last in Sykesville.

Resolutions. To the Council, Vice Council and members of Deemer's Cross Roads Council, No. 604: WHEREAS, It has pleased Almighty God, in His all-wise providence, to remove from our midst our brother, Geo. M. Reed, by death, we feel our loss with saddened hearts.

Resolved, That by his death our Council has lost a good brother and the community has lost a good neighbor. Resolved, That we tender our heartfelt sympathy to the widow and family. Resolved, That our charter be draped for a period of thirty days, that a copy be inserted in our minutes and a copy be printed in the Reynoldsville STAR.

H. G. SCHUCKERS, Com. C. K. MOHNEY, Sec. AMOS DEEMER, Sec.

Tour to California via P. R. R.

The next California tour of the Pennsylvania Railroad will leave New York and Philadelphia by special train of Pullman palace cars February 24, visiting the great Mammoth Cave and stopping at New Orleans during the Mardi Gras Carnival. Four weeks will be allowed on the Pacific Coast, and two days will be spent on the return trip at Colorado Springs and the Garden of the Gods. Stops will also be made at Salt Lake City, Denver and Omaha. This is one of the most delightful and complete tours ever planned.

Tickets, including railroad transportation, Pullman accommodation (one double berth), meals en route, baggage drives and hotel accommodations going and return, and transportation in California, will be sold at rate of \$850 from all stations on Pennsylvania Railroad System east of Pittsburgh.

Apply to ticket agents, Tourist Agent, 1199 Broadway, New York, or Geo. W. Boyd, Assistant General Passenger Agent, Broad Street Station, Philadelphia.

Something to Depend On. Mr. James Jones, of the drug firm of Jones & Son, Cowden, Ill., in speaking of Dr. King's New Discovery, says that just winter his wife was attacked with La Grippe, and her case grew so serious that physicians at Cowden and Pana could do nothing for her. It seemed to develop into lumpy consumption. Having Dr. King's New Discovery in store, and seeing lots of it, he took a bottle home, and to the surprise of all she began to get better from first dose, and half dozen bottles cured her sound and well. Dr. King's New Discovery for consumption, coughs and colds is guaranteed to do this good work. Try it. Free trial bottle at H. Alex. Stoke's drug store.

For Sale. Draft team weighing 1500, also sleighs for sale. J. C. KING & CO.

Bucklen's Arnica Salve. The best salve in the world for cuts, bruises, sores, ulcers, salt rheum, fever sores, Tetter, chapped hands, chilblains, corns, and all skin eruptions, and positively cures piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box. For sale by H. Alex. Stoke.

A few Ladies' and children's coats left at Deemer's.

Remnants of all kinds at Deemer's.

At King & Co.'s you will find baled hay, salt, flour and a full line of general merchandise.

Deemers expect to sell all winter goods at a bargain.

A Tour to Balm Florida via Pennsylvania Railroad.

When the North is at its worst Florida is at its best. When the lakes and rivers are icebound here and a drifting snow fills our streets the violets are blooming there and the air is laden with the sweet perfume of budding spring. When Old Boreas howls around our northern homes and the frost king rules, the mocking bird is singing in Florida's graceful palms and the whole land is melodious with happy song. The elegant special trains of the Pennsylvania Railroad Jacksonville tours are fitting introductions to this delightful land. The next tour, allowing two weeks in Florida, leaves New York and Philadelphia under personal escort February 23. Round-trip tickets, including Pullman accommodations and meals on the special train, will be sold at the following rates: From New York, \$50.00; Philadelphia, \$48.00; Canandaigua, \$52.85; Erie, \$54.85; Pittsburgh, \$53.00, and at proportionate rates from other points.

For tickets and itineraries apply to ticket agents, Tourist Agent, 1196 Broadway, New York, or to Geo. W. Boyd, Assistant General Passenger Agent, Broad Street station, Philadelphia.

Through Sleepers to Washington. For the accommodation of Washington travel account of Inauguration March 4th, the Pennsylvania Railroad Co. has arranged to run through sleepers to Washington on train 4, leaving Erie 3:25 P. M. March 2nd and 3rd. This no doubt will be greatly appreciated by Washington visitors.

Snyder & Johns, fashionable tailors. All odds and ends will be sold at a great reduction at Deemer's.

For neat fitting suit, go to Snyder & Johns, fashionable tailors.

Richardson shoes, at J. E. Welsh & Co.'s, near postoffice, are the best to wear.

Meeting of Stockholders. The annual meeting of the stockholders of The Reynoldsville Building and Loan Association will be held Monday, Feb. 22, 1897, at 8:00 o'clock P. M., at which time there will be an election of five (5) directors and one (1) auditor. The following named persons were nominated Jan. 18, 1897, for directors: H. C. Deible, L. J. McEntire, Chas. A. Hergel, A. A. Kleinhaus, F. S. Hoffman, John H. Kaucher, Martin Phalen and P. F. Flynn. For auditor, Wm. F. Marshall. JOHN M. HAYS, Pres. L. J. MCENTIRE, Sec.

Some odds and ends in ladies' shoes, must go regardless of price—Robinson.

This is no joke. You can have your glasses repaired while you wait, at C. F. Hoffman's.

If you want a barrel or two of flour it will be to your interest to see Robinson & Munderoff before buying.

Men's dress shoes for \$1.00 a pair. Robinson has them.

Men's, youths' and boys' suits go in Deemer's clearance sale.

Stoke's Advertising Space.

YOUR DOCTOR IS SICK



of having his prescriptions juggled by druggists who are given to substituting. He knows precisely how certain medicines will act upon the system and when he specifies a particular kind of drug he has scientific reasons for so doing. He means what he writes in the prescriptions and not something else "just as good."

The recovery or death of many of his patients rests with the druggist. We fully realize this great responsibility every time we compound a prescription. We back up the doctor's knowledge and judgment by furnishing the exact quantity and quality of the drugs and medicines required. We solicit the patronage of all thoughtful and justice-loving people.

STOKE, Reliable Druggist.

Bing & Co.

We will soon begin stock-taking and now is the time to get Bargains in

Dress Goods, Notions, Handkerchiefs, Wool Blankets, Ladies' Jackets.

Come and see what we are doing. You can save money by buying now.

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When you find . . .

a store thats busy all the time,

you can make up your mind that the management of the store is right, that the prices are right and that they have what you want. Therefore if you are in need of

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the proper thing for you to do is to hasten to the store of the

Reynoldsville Hardware Co.

are always receiving new goods and can always give you good values in

We

Dry Goods, Notions, Clothing, Hats and Caps, Shoes, Etc.

We carry a complete stock of everything and you will find our GROCERIES and PROVISIONS always up to standard in quality, and the very lowest price. We invite a share of your trade.

JEFFERSON SUPPLY CO.